

REMARKS

In the Office action mailed 1/27/06, claims 1-4 and 7-9 were rejected under 35 USC 102(b) as being anticipated by Elberg (US 2741082). Applicant requests cancellation of claims 2-4. Claim 1 has been extensively amended to overcome Elberg. Specifically, Elberg does not teach, suggest, nor otherwise disclose the claimed limitation of a first day gear and a third day gear being configured such that the first day gear provides one revolution to the third day gear for every 14 revolutions of the hour hand. While Examiner cites Elberg at reference numerals 27 and 28 in FIG. 6, Applicant can find no such disclosure within Elberg. Reference numeral 28 is only described in Column 10, line 12, and is labeled a *shaft* and not a *gear*. Furthermore, Applicant cannot find *any* description of reference numeral 27 within the entire detailed description of Elberg. If Examiner wishes to maintain this ground for rejection, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to present proof supporting the assertion that reference numerals 27 and 28 in Elberg disclose a first day gear providing one revolution to a third day gear for every 14 revolutions of an hour hand. Without such proof, Applicant submits that the rejection cannot be maintained.

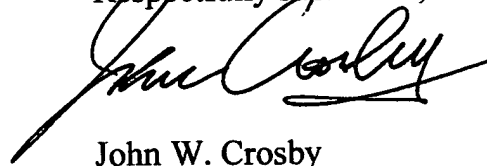
Claims 5-6 are rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Elberg in view of Komiyama (US 5062090). Applicant incorporates the arguments made above with respect to claim 1, and points out that claims 5-6 depend from claim 1 and thus incorporate all of the limitations of claim 1 and are therefore patentable in their current form.

INVITATION TO TELEPHONE CONFERENCE

Applicant invites Examiner to call the undersigned attorney at the phone number listed below if the Examiner feels there are any remaining issues that might be resolved by telephone.

Date: August 3, 2009

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John W. Crosby", written over a horizontal line.

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